

### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

We didn't have a newsletter last week, so there is a bit to catch up on this week. I want to bring to your attention to a few events that are happening in school before and after half term.

### **Phonics Evenings for Parents**

On Tuesday 17th October at 5.30pm, Ms Frith will be holding a Phonics information evening for parents of Reception children. This will take place in the school assembly hall. This meeting will be vital for any parent who wishes to support their child with their early reading and we hope that as many of you as possible can make it. We will make resources available for those who can't.

There will be a separate Phonics evening for Year 1 parents on Tuesday 7th November at 5.30pm. Again, we hope to see as many of you as possible there.

### **SEND Parents Forum**

Our next SEND Parents forum will be also be on Tuesday 17th October in the school hall at 9.10am

### **School Photos**

Individuals and siblings photographs will be taken next Thursday 12th October. Faces washed and hair brushed!

### **Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day**

Next Tuesday 10th October is World Mental Health Day and children are asked to wear an item of yellow to school. This can be an accessory, a tshirt, trousers, skirt, socks or any take on yellow you wish it to be. I won't be sending anyone home for not wearing the correct yellow item (or for not wearing yellow!). It will help children to be aware of how they important it is to look after their own wellbeing and mental health just as much as they do with their physical health. We will be taking voluntary contributions through ParentPay and in school to support the charity Young Minds. More details on how to donate will follow on Monday.

### **#BEMORE JUDE**

On Friday 17th November, we will be taking part in a charity fundraiser in memory of a young boy from Urmston called Jude Anderton. Jude was a pupil of St. Hugh of Lincoln in Stretford and also English Martyrs and died from bone cancer. His parents have contacted all local schools to see if they would like to take part in their fundraising day. We will be turning orange for the day and are delighted to be taking part. More details will follow.

### **Christmas Nativities and Carol Performances**

Dates have now been confirmed for these performances so please check the dates on this newsletter.

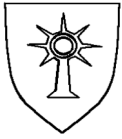
### **Neighbourhood Consultation**

You will know that I have had concerns over traffic and the safety of our children around school for quite some time. You all have an opportunity to contribute to a wider neighbourhood plan as part of a consultation. Please see the details later in the newsletter.

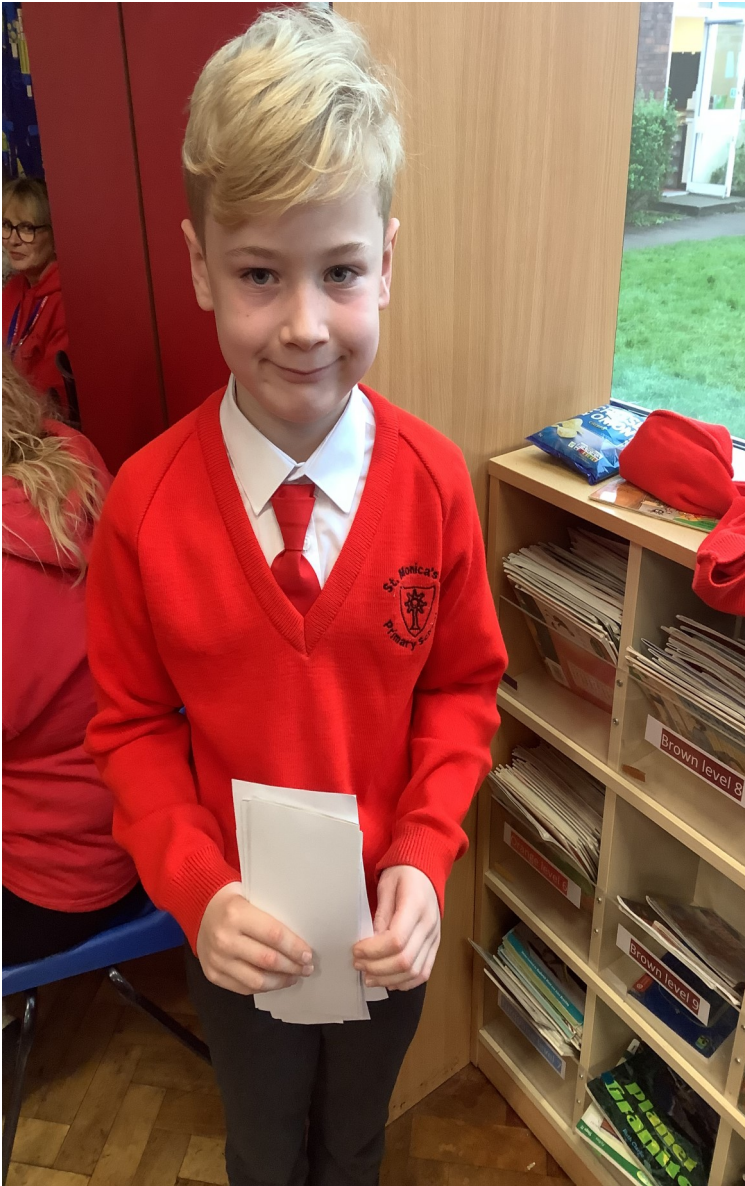
After a very busy day and a very busy week, I'm off to lie down.

Take care,

*Mr Doherty*



### Guest Speaker at our Assembly...



#### Dyslexia

We had the absolute pleasure of having Lochlann as our guest assembly speaker this week, who wanted to speak to us about Dyslexia. We learned about how all of our brains are wired differently and that people with dyslexia can find some things difficult. Things like following lists of instructions, or spelling or reading can be some of the things that can be difficult. We learned about the super powers of people with dyslexia and how many people with dyslexia can solve problems in amazing ways, can make things that others wouldn't even think of or are brilliant artists and designers. Lochlann told us about his super powers of coding and crafting amongst many others. We were all enthralled by his talk and by the video clip that he shared all about dyslexia. Thank you so much Lochlann for sharing your super powers with us and for educating us all about Dyslexia.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=11r7CFIK2sc>

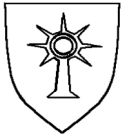
#### Collective Worship

As part of our assembly and after our guest speaker had presented, we sang one of our favourite hymns -Through Him, With Him and In Him. You will have heard our children sing this on a number of occasions before and it resonated with us all today as the words tell us that by putting our faith in Him, we can do great things. All of us have this potential, and the hymn reminds us that through Him we can all live life to the full.

#### Cross Country

Good luck to all those who are taking part in the Cross Country event at John Leigh Park. Give it your all!!

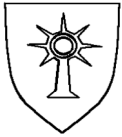




### *Our Headteacher Award winners this week and some of our su-*

06/10/2023	1B	Fleur	For amazing effort in all of her lessons, especially literacy!
	1/2F	George	For brilliant map work in our geography lesson.
	2S	Lucia	For working hard with her work and improving her participation in class.
	3B	Joshua	For consistently working hard in every lesson.
	3/4C	Imogen	For always being helpful and kind and for making a special effort with her homework this week.
	3/4 GS	Olivia	For an excellent poster about Sicily.
	5K	Annalise	For consistent reading at home throughout the week.
	5/6S	Alfie	For making a conscious effort to maintain his focus in all lessons this week.
	5/6B	Hailey	For being a fantastic Victorian maid at Tatton Hall.





### *Our Headteacher Award winners last week...*

29/09/2023	1B	Arlo	Super work in his maths and literacy lessons
	1/2F	Lily	For always listening well and trying her best.
	2S	Ellis	For great work explaining the different weather associated with the four seasons.
	3B	Ifechi	For working really hard in her French lessons.
	3/4C	Oscar	For always being so enthusiastic and hardworking
	3/4 GS	Orla	Super explanations of workings out in Maths
	5K	Jamil	For always listening well in lessons and working hard.
	5/6S	Darla	For always ensuring her work is beautifully presented.
	5/6B	Alice	Some amazingly descriptive writing about Street Child.





### *And more of our super spellers!!*



#### **Important Dates this term (these will be added to as events are added.)**

Tuesday 10th October– Author visit to KS2

Tuesday 10th October– Wear Yellow in support of World Mental Health Day and Young Minds.

Thursday 12th October– Individual/Sibling Photographs

W/B Monday 16th October– Y6 Bikeability

Monday 16th October– Urmston Neighbourhood Consultation 4pm-7pm

Tuesday 17th October-SEND parents forum @ 9.10am

Tuesday 17th October– Reception Phonics Information Meeting @ 5.30pm

Friday 20th October-Beginning of Half term holiday @3.30pm

Monday 30th October– Return to school

Tuesday 7th November– Year 3 and 4 Roman trip to Chester

Tuesday 7th November– Year 1 Phonics Information Meeting @ 5.30pm

**Monday 13th and Thursday 16th November– Parents Evenings– Details of appointments to follow**

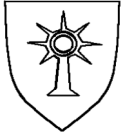
Friday 17th November- #BEMOREJUDE– Wear Orange

Wednesday 13th December @ 2pm– Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity in Church

Thursday 14th December @ 10am– Nursery Nativity in school

Thursday 14th December @2pm– Reception Nativity in school

Wednesday 20th December @6pm– KS2 Carol Concert in Church



### DIOCESAN SYNOD

As part of the Diocesan Synod, I invite you to attend the "The Parish BIG Listen" on **Thursday 19th October (6.30pm) in the Parish Centre.**

This is a **LISTENING** and not a debating exercise, we are invited to listen to each other (without response), so that what is said and heard can be communicated accurately and honestly back to Diocese.

The Synod is also **NOT** a forum to discuss or argue over doctrine.

If you are interested in attending please sign the sheets at the back of both churches.



### Attendance

Our attendance figures are looking quite good this week. We are very nearly making the 97% target. Well one to Mrs Vallver's Reception class this week with 99%. Year 5/6 have dropped a bit this week. Let's get back on track next week!  
Whole school - 96.52%

Nursery - 99.20%

RV - 99.00%

RQ - 96.00%

1B - 94.29%

**1/2F - 99.31%**

2S - 95.33%

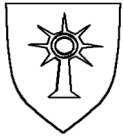
3B - 90.71%

3/4GS - 96.21%

3/4C - 97.67%

5K - 93.21%

5/6B - 91.79%



### Neighbourhood Consultation

One Trafford Partnership has shared updated plans for pedestrian and community friendly streets in and around the Flixton West and Davyhulme parts of Urmston. The proposals also aim to cut down on dangerous rat running, illegal parking and to support of local initiatives such as school streets.

This work forms part of Trafford Council's priorities to encourage to make walking, wheeling, and cycling both practical and pleasant options for everyday journeys as safe alternatives within the area. Funding to support this initiative comes from the Mayor's Challenge Fund (MCF) which aims enhance the quality of the cycling and walking infrastructure across Greater Manchester.

The partnership is committed to involving local stakeholders to shape these evolving plans, and this is an invitation to the community to provide its input on the proposals and also to assess local interest for an initial trial period to temporarily test out or amend the proposals.

There are information events in each area.

Flixton West

- **Monday 16 October 4pm-7pm - St Monica's School**, Woodsend Rd S, Flixton, Urmston, Manchester M41 6QB
- **Tuesday 17 October 9am-11am – Flixton House**, Flixton Rd, Urmston, Manchester M41 5GJ Davyhulme
- **Wednesday 18 October 4pm-7pm – Davyhulme Primary School**, Canterbury Rd, Urmston, Manchester M41 ORX
- **Thursday 19 October 9am-11am – Hartford Community Centre**, Canterbury Rd, Urmston, Manchester M41 ORX

At these drop ins visitors can out more from project team members, offer feedback on the proposals and understand the potential scheme benefits. Alternatively, copies of the current proposal will be made available to view at the Woodsend and Urmston Libraries where local stakeholders will be able to complete and submit a paper copy of the consultation survey.

Trafford Council's website also provide additional information on <https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/transport-and-streets/Active-Travel/Urmston-Active-Neighbourhood.aspx> and/or to com-